

Men and Women on the Witness Stand



PITTSBURGH.—Are women less to be believed than men, on oath or otherwise? In a question that has been asked by the members of a few men, and at least one woman, who have in public recently insisted that women are a general proposition have no sense of the binding sanctity of an oath and are blind to the moral obligation of telling the truth.

A few days ago, came Dr. William H. Taylor, state chemist of Virginia, in a lecture to the students of the State Medical College of Virginia, pronounced that a woman had "no conception of the moral obligation entailed in telling the truth." In his opinion truth with a woman is what she wants to be believed. She is convinced that what she calls her "intuition" must always be right.

As a buttress to what those "happy men" have asserted comes Mary Horton Vance, a woman of some note as a writer for the magazines, who asserts that few women can be depended upon to tell the truth, she presumably being one of the few; that they "lead" street railway companies, that they flatter at telephones, smooth the railing of a street car, and that she believes the statement of an old judge who told her that upon the witness stand "women would invariably perjure themselves."

These declarations were so sweeping and so extraordinary that the Pittsburgh Dispatch was led to seek the opinions of some Pittsburgh women of note who could be depended upon to say what they thought regardless of any reflection upon their own sex—women who think independently and whose thoughts are well founded and whose language will be trusted. One of these is Mrs. Enoch Rau, president of the Council of Jewish Women.

Not a Question of Sex. "The telling of truth is absolutely not a matter of sex," was the emphatic answer to a query by the representative of the Dispatch. "Both sexes equivocate and evade upon occasion and no one will hazard his reputation for veracity by asserting that women should be singled out for censure of equivocation as distinct from men. Both are of the same blood and fiber, and whatever denunciation lies against the one in the matter of stating what is true lies against the other.

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It would be one of the most astounding of paradoxes if they could bring into the world one sex more addicted to the telling of truth than the other. Take the great question of heredity for instance. It is the testimony of some of the greatest physicians of this and other times that the sons usually inherit the traits of the mothers and the daughters those of the fathers. Now how shall we assimilate this unquestioned dictum of science with the assertions of those gentlemen that women are more prone than men to evade the truth? You see that the whole proposition falls to the ground. It is not possible that environment

FEAR TO TOTAL UP PAGES. Men Make Memoranda of Expenses, But That is All.

"Speaking of startling things and not finishing them," said a business man, "did I ever tell you of the curious habit that an uncle of mine had? He used to carry a memorandum book around with him and whenever he spent any money he would jot down the figures. We always looked upon him as a model in keeping accounts. One day I got to talking to him about it and he pulled his book out of his pocket to show me. What was my amazement on looking at it to discover that not one of the pages was totaled up. I asked him, naturally, whether he never added the columns and he told me that he did not and never had; the practice was too discouraging. A sense of duty impelled him to put down the items, but there he stopped. An interesting man, my uncle, although a trifle eccentric."

"Not so very unlike the majority of humankind," said the business man's

friend, "unless, perhaps, in his honesty of avowal. I think there are mighty few people who keep the record of their personal expenses in spite of their avowal. I start out with the best of intentions, say at the beginning of a year, but it's a good deal like keeping up a diary. And just where nine out of ten fall down is in this matter of totaling. It takes but an infinitesimal portion of time to run up a column, but somehow we don't like the operation. It's too much like bringing a charge against ourselves. So we save our consciences by jotting down items—when we think of them—and let them go at that. Pretty soon the account or memorandum book becomes hopelessly in arrears and it is put away where it will not be an irritation. The next January another beginning may be made, but unless the conscience is in very good working order there will be the same result."

Women Truthful Witnesses. Miss Suzanne Beatty, attorney-at-law, gives an emphatic negative to the assertion that women are more than men inclined to evade the truth on the witness stand.

"I have been a close student of this matter," said Miss Beatty, "and it is my positive judgment that women are quite as dependable as men when testifying before a law court. When I was at home, a more child, one of the dear friends of our family was Judge Campbell, then the presiding judge of the Circuit Court. It is possible that even at that time I had in me the latent germ of the pursuit of the law as a profession, for that he told me that he had never thought of the statements so antipodal to truth which he made in regard to women as compared with men."

All Swayed by Sentiment. "I want to say, and to put it as strongly as words can make it, that I have found women witnesses, to say the least, no less truthful than those of the other sex. It is a well-known fact that all witnesses are to some extent swayed by sentiment in favor of the person in whose interests they are testifying. Allowance must be made for that, but that women are more powerfully influenced by such considerations than men I do not believe. I have known women to testify to the truth in great stress of circumstances, when to conceal the truth would have been much to their advantage, and when cautioned by the judge that their testimony was for their own prejudice I have heard them say with tears that it was the truth and that the truth must be told. I have never known but one case of deliberate perjury by a woman, and that was exceedingly curious. The girl's lover was under trial for burglary. The testimony was vaguely circumstantial. The girl produced a diary which she had kept for the entire year, including the time of the alleged burglary. That diary showed that the alleged burglar had been in her company at a time when it would

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to the amusing and diverting phases of social life than to those activities which make for development and progress, and the Dispatch deserves thanks for contributing to the "gayety of nations" by giving us a chance to say a word in answer to even the most obscure of dilettantes who have presumed to add their oratory upon a theme which was certain to attract some attention and excite curiosity if not respect."

Equivocate in Little Things. "This matter of evading the truth is even far older than the remark made by an eminent historic personage that he had said in his haste that all men were liars," was the remark of Mrs. Samuel A. Ammon, well known for her great activities in civic affairs, when the caustic assertions of Dr. Taylor were broached to her. "It is quite possible and defensible," continued Mrs. Ammon, "that in what may call the 'little things' of life men may evade the truth more often than men do, because they are brought into contact with those little things, chiefly domestic, more than men are. Shall we tell the disenchanted that they are afflicted incurably? Shall we say to the dying man, 'I have no hope for you? Shall we give an evasive, blunt, direct answer to prying inquiries which should never have had utterance and which may most probably be repeated as gossip with such coloring as repetition and imagination may inspire?"

"The question of unswerving truth telling is one which has agitated the deepest of analytical minds, but the greatest of these has not been led to assert that unswerving truth telling was most highly developed in women than in men. Whatever falling there may be is to be equally condemned in both sexes. It is quite possible and quite natural that when the affections are involved the woman may be more easily swayed than the man. She is more the creature of sentiment and emotion. Her friendships and loves are deeper and denser. Therefore, on the witness stand, she may be more readily, and surely more unconsciously, depart from the exact truth than the interests of those whose she loves are involved, but she does it unconsciously or almost so, if at all. It is a psychological impulse.

Have Fear of the Law. "Again, a woman on the witness stand is more apart from her sphere than a man is. She is more liable to the mistakes of embarrassment. For that she should not be called to no-

Mrs. Samuel A. Ammon.

have been impossible for him to have been on the scene of the burglary. The diary seemed genuine and the court, jury and prosecuting attorney accepted it as such. Just as the jury was about to retire, however, the attorney for the commonwealth happened to glance at an obscure imprint on the diary which showed that the book had been printed at a time subsequent to the date of the burglary. The case was continued, and it was brought out that the firm producing the diary never issued the books to be used by the trade previous to the year of their date. It was a clear case of perjury and one of remarkable cunning considering the very ordinary intellect of the girl. The matter had been written for the entire year, and bore all the marks of genuineness.

Poor Basis for Sensation. "It is a fact known to all lawyers that women fear the law more than

men do, and therefore take fewer risks upon the stand in the matter of telling an untruth. It is my opinion that Dr. Taylor chose a very tottering basis for a sensation, and that in making himself talked about he has also made himself absurd."

In a very rare manner Mrs. Franklin P. Jams, attorney-at-law, discussed the "circumstantial" and the "direct." "Women may lie on the witness stand," said Mrs. Jams, "in circumstances which arouse within her a powerful sentiment, while in similar circumstances a man would lie deliberately and willfully. The lie in one case may be said to have been to some extent unconscious, the woman having been persuaded on account of her affections to believe that what she said was true because she



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wanted it to be true. The man would tell the lie direct, knowing that it was a lie, and telling it to make his case or that of the person in whose interest he was testifying.

Women More Emotional. "Of course, as everyone knows, women are far more emotional than men. They are therefore more likely to be swayed by their sentiments, and inclined to think, therefore, that for this very reason women are somewhat less dependable as witnesses than men, although less to blame for

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their equivocations. When a man tells a deliberate lie he must be an adept at the business indeed, for he is failing in his manner or expression, and he is aware of it. A woman speaking under the influence of powerful sentiment is more apt to give her statement every semblance of truth. The man lying deliberately is well aware that he can hardly do it successfully and therefore he is less apt to try the experiment, although he is morally just as sure as the liar as though he did try it.

"I would say that there is some measure of truth in the assumption that women are more liable than men to go astray from the exact facts when they are in the strange position of a witness in the courts, but the sweeping assertion of Dr. Taylor that in all circumstances they are less to be believed than men is a statement that should simply make the person who made it ridiculous.

"You ask me about the conflict of what is called expert testimony. I think that is not fully understood. It is my conviction that expert testimony is usually fairly honest, no matter how conflicting it may seem, and for reason. The expert is always examined by the attorney previous to trial and hearing, and if he be not convinced that the testimony is frankly in his favor he will not employ the expert."

For Overdose of Morphine. When one has taken morphine, either with or without the advice of a physician, should there be extreme drowsiness followed by unconsciousness, with slow breathing, with marked constriction of the pupil of the eye and cold surface of the body, there is a danger that the patient can be summoned the patient should be wakened constantly and not allowed to go to sleep. There might also be given an antidote such as powerful emetics or strong coffee, and artificial respiration.

Young Women Lead in Studies. At the recent suffrage hearing in Boston President Huntington of the University of Boston mentioned that the young women of the university averaged better in their studies than the young men. It will be remembered that President Eliot of Harvard, President Thomas of Bryn Mawr, and President Van Hise of the Wisconsin state university bore witness to the same fact at a recent meeting of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae.

Subsist on Uninhabited Islands. Sailors cast away on uninhabited islands in temperate regions have managed to subsist for long periods. Thus, the crew of the Caroline, wrecked on Duende Island, in the South Pacific, in July, 1883, lived there for 1883, while two survivors of the whaler Essex were three years and four months on the neighboring Henderson Island, before being rescued.

One often finds bottles of medicine in which the cork has not been tightly pushed minus the latter, or has had a cork pop out of a bottle while held in one's hands without any attempt to remove it on the part of the holder. This always shows that gas is forcing the cork out.

Danger in Many Things That Are Constantly Handled. Among the many things in almost constant use are some that are more or less dangerous from their explosive properties. Properties often entirely unknown to their users. For example, a chloride of potash is frequently brought in contact with an unlighted phosphorus match are dangerous. Bicarbonate of potash if mixed with substrate of bismuth, the latter a remedy for indigestion, will explode. Iodine of iodine is highly explosive and is often combined with other drugs. Its use by those ignorant of its danger is a menace. Salvoletide and chloral hydrate are, under certain conditions, as dangerous as dynamite. Tincture of iron and dilute aqua regiae mixed, as they often are, explodes, through a highly explosive gas, which has frequently shattered the bottle in which the mixture was kept.

APPEALS TO PEOPLE

NEBRASKA DEMOCRATS ADOPT STRONG PLATFORM. PRINCIPLES OF THE PARTY Return to Government of, by, and for the People is the Keynote of Declaration All Democrats Will Indorse.

The platform adopted by the Nebraska Democrats assembled in state convention at Omaha, March 5, 1905, is as follows: We, the representatives of the Democracy of Nebraska, in delegate convention assembled, reaffirm our faith in, and pledge our loyalty to, the principles of our party.

We rejoice at the increasing signs of an awakening in the United States. The various investigations have traced graft and political corruption to the representatives of predatory wealth and laid bare the unscrupulous methods by which they have debauched and preyed upon a defenseless public through the subservient officials whom they have raised to place and power.

The conscience of the nation is now aroused and will, if honestly appealed to, free the government from the grip of those who have made it a business of the individual depositor who must become again "a government of the people, by the people, and for the people," and be administered in all its departments according to the Jeffersonian maxim, "equal rights to all and special privileges to none."

We heartily approve of the laws prohibiting the pass and the rebate, and insist upon further legislation, state and national, making it unlawful for any corporation to contribute to campaign funds and providing for publication, before the election, of all individual contributions above a reasonable minimum.

Believing, with Jefferson, in "the support of the state governments in all their rights as the most complete and efficient administration for the interests and necessities of the people," and in "the preservation of the general government in its whole constitutional vigor, as the sheet anchor of our peace at home and safety abroad," we are opposed to the centralization implied in the suggestions, now frequently made, that the powers of the general government should be extended by federal control of the states.

We insist upon the recognition of the distinction between the natural man and the artificial person, called a corporation, and we favor the enactment of such laws as may be necessary to compel foreign corporations to submit their legal disputes to the courts of the states in which they do business, and thus place themselves upon the same footing as domestic corporations.

We favor the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people, and regard this reform as the pathway to all other national reforms. A private monopoly is indefensible and intolerable. We, therefore, favor the vigorous enforcement of the criminal law against trusts and trust magnates, and demand the attainment of such additional reforms as may be necessary to make it impossible for a private monopoly to exist in the United States. Among the additional remedies we specify three: First, a law preventing the duplication of directors among competing corporations; second, a license system which will, without abridging the right of each state to create corporations, or to regulate as it will foreign corporations doing business within its limits, make it necessary for a manufacturing or trading corporation engaged in interstate commerce to take out a federal license before it shall be permitted to control as much as 25 per cent. of the production in which it is engaged; and third, a law preventing the control by such corporation of more than 50 per cent. of the total amount of any product consumed in the United States; and, third, a law compelling such licensed corporations to sell to all purchasers in all parts of the country on the same terms, after making due allowance for cost of transportation.

We welcome the belated promise of tariff reform, now offered by a party of the Republican party, as a tardy recognition of the righteousness of the Democratic position on this question, but the people can not safely entrust the execution of the tariff to the party which is so obligated to the highly protected interests that it postpones relief until after the election.

We favor an immediate revision of the tariff by the reduction of import duties. Articles entering into competition with articles produced by the United States should be free of duty; and the fundamental doctrine of self-protection should be maintained. We favor an immediate declaration of the nation's purpose to recognize the independence of the Philippine Islands as soon as a stable government can be established, such independence to be guaranteed by us as we guarantee the independence of Cuba, until the neutralization of the islands can be secured by treaty with other powers. In recognizing the independence of the Philippines our government should retain such land as may be necessary for coaling stations and naval bases.

Desiring the prevention of war, wherever possible, we believe that our nation should announce its determination not to use our navy for the collection of private debts, and its willingness to enter into agreements with other nations, providing for the investigation by an impartial international tribunal, before any declaration of war or commencement of hostilities of any character, which defies diplomatic settlement.

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enlargement of the powers of national and state railway commissions as may be necessary to give full protection to persons and places from discrimination and extortion. We believe that both the nation and the various states should, first, ascertain the present value of the railroads, measured by the cost of reproduction; second, prohibit the issue of any more watered stock or fictitious capitalization; third, prohibit the railroads from engaging in any business which brings them into competition with their shippers; and fourth, reduce transportation rates until they reach a point where they will yield only a reasonable return on the present value of the roads—such reasonable return being fixed as a return sufficient to keep the stock of the roads at par when such roads are honestly capitalized.

The injury done by issues of watered stock is more clearly seen and better understood since the shrinkage in the market value of such stock has precipitated a widespread panic and brought enormous loss to the country.

The present financial stringency furnishes additional proof that the public leaders are either unwilling or incompetent to protect the interests of the general public.

We favor the postal savings bank and, in addition thereto, insist upon the passage of laws, state and national, for the better regulation of banks and for the protection of bank deposits. The government demands security when it deposits public money in a bank, and we believe that the security of the individual depositor who curries his earnings to a bank should be as perfect as the government's security.

We oppose both the Aldrich bill and the Fowler bill, and believe that, insofar as the needs of commerce require an emergency currency, such currency should be issued and controlled by the federal government, and that it should be loaned upon adequate security and at a rate of interest which will compel its retirement when the emergency is passed.

We demand, further, that favoritism in the deposit of treasury funds shall be abolished and that surplus revenues shall be deposited at competitive rates upon sufficient security and fairly distributed throughout the country.

We favor the eight hour day. We believe in the conciliation of capital and labor and favor every legitimate means for the adjustment of disputes between corporate employers and their employees, to the end that justice may be done to those who toil and society may be relieved from the embarrassment occasioned by prolonged strikes and lockouts.

We favor such a modification of the law relating to injunctions as will, first, prevent the issuing of the writ in industrial disputes except after notice to defendants and full hearing; second, permit trial before a judge other than the one who issued the writ, and, third, allow a jury to be summoned in all cases where the alleged offense is committed outside the presence of the court.

We favor an employer's liability law, applicable to both private and public employers. We favor full protection, by both national and state governments with their respective spheres, of all foreigners residing in the United States under treaty, but we are opposed to the admission of Asiatic emigrants who can not be assimilated with our population, or whose presence among us would raise a race issue and involve us in diplomatic controversies with oriental powers, and we demand a stricter enforcement of the immigration laws against any immigrants who advocate the overthrow of the government or of reforming our government.

We welcome Oklahoma to the sisterhood of states and heartily congratulate her upon the auspicious beginning of a great career. We favor separate statehood for Arizona and New Mexico and demand for the people of Porto Rico the right of enjoyment of all rights and privileges of a territorial form of government.

We sympathize with the efforts put forth for the reclamation of the arid lands of the west and urge the largest possible use of irrigation in the development of the country. We favor the reclamation of swamp lands upon the same principle.

We favor the preservation of the forests still remaining, and the replanting of the denuded districts in all our mountain ranges, as well as the forestation of the western plains. We believe that the Panama canal will prove of great value to our country and favor its speedy completion.

We urge liberal appropriations for the improvement and development of the interior waterways, believing that such expenditures will return a large dividend in lessened cost of transportation.

We favor a generous pension policy, both as a matter of justice to our living veterans and to our dependents and because it relieves the country of the necessity of maintaining a large standing army.

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News of Wisconsin

Interesting Happenings in the Various Cities and Towns of the State.

RAILROAD PREVENTS SALE. Wisconsin Central Gets Injunction Stopping Disposal of Property.

Superior.—An injunction suit brought by the Wisconsin Central railroad stopped the sale of the ties and steel rails seized by City Treasurer Hunter for non-payment of the Central's taxes. City Treasurer Hunter and City Attorney Melosh were about to start out to make the sale of the property when the injunction was served. They accordingly postponed the sale until the city treasurer seized the ties and rails on account of the failure of the Wisconsin Central to pay a tax of about \$12,000, levied on the property held by it in this city.

ELLIS GETS TWO YEARS. Ashland Banker's Appeal for a New Trial Denied.

Eau Claire.—A motion for a new trial has been made in the case of the state of Wisconsin vs. John S. Ellis of Ashland, charged with receiving stolen goods after he knew or should have known that his bank was involved, the case being heard before Judge O'Neil in this city several months ago, when the jury found him guilty, was made by Attorney Tompkins, whose grounds for asking a new trial were that the bank was solvent on the date mentioned. The motion was denied, and the defendant sentenced to two years in the state prison at Waupun.

Young Girl Saves Train. Waupun.—That the presence of mind of a 14-year-old girl, Esther Green Bay train, at the Washburn, averted the wreck of the Washburn, the child discovered the washout, and heard the train approaching. She ran up the track, waving her hat and apron, and succeeded in stopping the train before it reached the washout.

Finish Auditorium Plans. La Crosse.—Plans have been completed for the new auditorium in which the summerfest is to be held. The structure will contain a stage for about 2,000 singers, and floor space for 3,500 persons. It will be erected on city property and will be used as a corn palace during the interstate fair and for political meetings during the campaign.

Maternity Home Given Up. Eau Claire.—The Eau Claire Maternity home, owned by the Women's Christian Temperance Union, has been sold and turned over to Dr. Shaw. The cause for the institution passing out of existence is the unpleasant publicity given it at the time of investigations some months ago in which the state board of health took part.

Prominent Man Insane. Racine.—Cecil Milton Noyle, aged 32, from one of the best families in this part of Wisconsin, was adjudged insane and taken to the Mendota asylum. Mr. Noyle had permitted his whiskers and hair to grow to unusual length, his whiskers reaching below his waist and his hair over a foot down his back.

Former Assemblyman Dies. Marshfield.—William Noll, president of the Noll Hardware company, and one of the pioneer merchants of this city, died here. He died on his birth anniversary, being 74 years of age. The deceased was formerly a resident of Calumet county, and served in the assembly as a member from that county.

Crete Aged Man's Body. Grafton.—The body of William Egrey, one of the oldest residents of Ozaukee county, who died here, was brought to Milwaukee and cremated at Forest Home cemetery. Mr. Egrey was 91 years of age. He came to Grafton in 1863 and up to 15 years ago practiced as an osteopathic physician.

Muckelstone Is President. Madison.—Waldo Muckelstone of Wausau was elected president of the junior class of the University of Wisconsin. Muckelstone was a member of the Badger football team last fall, and is one of the mainstays of the varsity baseball nine.

Cooper's Sister Is Dead. Racine.—Miss Jeannette Cooper, sister of Congressman Henry A. Cooper, died at her home in Chicago of pneumonia, aged 40 years.

Fifteen Are Arrested. Racine.—Fifteen young men, sons of prominent farmers of Caledonia, were arrested on complaint of Capt. Pugh, deputy game warden, charged with shooting fish. Fourteen were discharged and the fifteenth paid a fine.

Electric Roads Unite. Appleton.—The Fox River Street Railway & Lighted Transportation company here, N. C. Draper of Fond du Lac being elected president. Every electrical concern between Fond du Lac and Green Bay was represented.

Drowned in Rock River. Beloit.—By the overturning of a canoe in which Harry Gordon, a well-known shipman, aged 24, and a companion were riding, the former was drowned in the Rock River. The body was recovered.

Robbers Get a Big Haul. La Crosse.—Three shoplifters, two women and a man, robbed a number of local merchants of between \$500 and \$1,000 worth of goods, and then suddenly departed, leaving their hotel bill unpaid.

Find Iron in Sauk County. Baraboo.—It is predicted that Sauk county will double in population within the next ten or fifteen years. The prediction is based on the fact that several valuable iron veins have been located in this vicinity by means of diamond drills.

Pastor Leaves Racine. Racine.—Rev. F. W. Umbreit, pastor of the Park Avenue German church, leaves Racine to accept the position of treasurer of the Northwestern college, at Naperville, Ill.

Fire Destroys Bridge. Eau Claire.—Fire destroyed a railroad bridge on the Omaha road one mile south of Bloomer. Nothing serious resulted, and the damage was repaired in about five hours.

Settled Out of Court. Manitowoc.—To avoid action in court, the Manitowoc Transportation company has settled the \$750 claim of Senator S. W. Randolph of this city for salvage on the steamer Elphicke, grounded five miles north of this city in December.

Annual Rush Is On. La Crosse.—The annual rush of traps is on, and the railroad yards on the north side are filled with them. Thirty were turned out of the police station recently.

Milwaukee Gaffer Pleads Guilty. Milwaukee.—Joseph J. Galewski, a former supervisor, pleaded guilty to an indictment charging conspiracy in connection with a county coal contract, and was fined \$100. Three other indictments against Galewski were notified.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

The latest in wall paper at Daly's. —Folk SALE—Two houses on west side. Inquire of J. W. Rick. —Mrs. J. S. Thompson returned last week from Milwaukee and Chicago. The Bliss orchestra furnished music for a dance at Plainfield on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Shanks are visiting friends in Stevens Point this week.

Rev. C. A. Mellicke transacted business in Green Bay several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Klappa of Biron were pleasant callers at this office on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Kellogg visited at the Kellogg home in Nokona on Sunday.

Mrs. Will Gross and Mrs. Geo. W. Davis are in Milwaukee this week visiting with friends.

—April Edison records at Daly's. Joe Monahan has been confined to his bed the past week with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wagner have been visiting with relatives in Frazee, Minn., the past week.

Miss Eva Johnson and Hill Co. in the dry goods department.

Max Sowanko has accepted a position as foreman in the Tribune office, commencing work on Monday.

Prof. M. H. Jackson was at Milladore on Friday where he delivered a speech that evoked before the school.

Miss Isabelle Marshall, who is teaching at Ellsworth, is home to spend the vacation with her people in this city.

—We sell bicycles on the installment plan \$1 per week. Daly Drug Co.

Port McDonald is home from college to spend the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McDonald.

Miss Beryl Thompson is home from Ripon College to spend the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thompson.

Winfield Scott of Rudolph is in the city on Friday transacting business. This office was favored with a pleasant call.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ploup of the west side are rejoicing over the arrival of a bouncing baby boy born to them last week.

—\$1 per week buys a Victor talking machine at Daly Drug & Jewelry Co.

Will Suhr and crew of painters have been busy the past two weeks repairing and painting the interior of the Harkness Mercantile church.

O. M. Harkness, editor of the Necedah Republican, was a business visitor here on Thursday. This office acknowledges a fraternal call.

The public schools and the Wood County teachers' training school are now enjoying a vacation. Many of the teachers have gone to their homes to spend the week.

G. L. Gingo, representing the Babcock-Henrichs Home, was in the city on Monday soliciting aid for the institution. The Tribune office acknowledges a pleasant call.

There was a large crowd in attendance at the temperance meeting at the opera house. Miss Phelps is a very pleasing talker and those in attendance were well pleased.

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The citizens of Stevens Point have already commenced preparations for the annual sangeft, which will be held in that city on July 17, 18 and 19. They expect a big crowd in attendance and are making preparations accordingly.

The Rev. Robert Stapleton for ten years a missionary of the American Board in Eastern Turkey will speak to the Congregational church at the morning service next Sunday. Mr. Stapleton was for three years a classmate of Rev. Fred Stead in the Chicago Theological Seminary. He is an able man and all will enjoy hearing him.

Guest Kruger will operate his sand pit again this season and anybody wishing sand for building purposes will do well to call him up. Mr. Kruger was at Marshfield one day recently and closed a contract with John Hoffman to furnish him with sand, and two carloads have already been shipped out there this spring.

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Officer Gibson reports that the past month has been a record breaker for tramps. Since the 8th of March, he has given lodging to 150 hobos, and the supply is not exhausted yet. There is no question but what if the city made these vagrants work that they would stay off before striking this town any, no trouble would be encountered from them. One night there were nine bums housed in the west side corner, and as the building is a small one they were packed in like sardines.

J. R. McLaughlin, who has been up in the northern part of the state and in Michigan for some time past, came down on Sunday to spend a few days among his friends in this city.

Mr. McLaughlin states that there was very little to indicate that spring had come up in the country where he was operating. There was from a foot to two feet of snow on the ground during the past week and mercury hovered around the zero mark every morning, while the looking roads were in first class condition and they were having fine winter weather. Mr. McLaughlin left for the north again on Tuesday.

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	BENJAMIN HANSEN..... (non partisan)
FOR ALDERMAN 5th Ward	CHARLES E. LESTER..... (non partisan)

The polls and voting places in the several wards will be as follows: 1st ward at the residence of Edward Mahoney. 2nd ward at the Library building. 3rd ward at the G. A. Hall. 4th ward at the residence of John Plank. 5th ward at the Power House. 6th ward at Brainerd Worthington's shop (now John Alpine's). 7th ward at the City Hall. 8th ward at the residence of M. P. Nison.

Said polls will be opened at six o'clock in the forenoon and close at five o'clock in the afternoon of said day. Said election to be held and conducted, votes canvassed and returns made in accordance with law. Given under my hand and official seal at the city of Grand Rapids, this 24th day of March, A. D. 1908.

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—VS—

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By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure and sale made in the above entitled action on the 10th day of March 1908, the undersigned Sheriff of Wood County, State of Wisconsin, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county of Wood, on the 7th day of May 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, the real estate and mortgages and certain debts as follows:

The Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of the North West Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section Twelve (12), in Township Twenty-two (22) north of Range two (2) East.

Terms of sale cash.

Dated March 20, 1908.

F. J. Wood, Sheriff for Wood Co. Wis.

Wm. Pub. March 25.

Last Pub. May 5.

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Young Maxim need not expect a Nobel peace prize for his noiseless gun.

Japan insists that the open door operate in Manchuria, but Japan may know a short cut by a side door.

Fortunately for him, Napoleon did not make his retreat from Moscow through the snow in an automobile.

Some European immigrants, not being used to liberty at home, do not know what to do with it when they get it.

We do not see where any one else has a servitude in the matter if the Brooklyn boy himself was willing to stand for his confinement party.

An Arizona man claims to have cheered 300 sheep in nine hours. There are people in Wall street who will be inclined just now to regard him with envy.

"Can a whole serum" is the inquiry sent forth by the Brooklyn boy. This is rather hard to answer, but there are certain labors which equal when they are done.

In the oyster discussion no one has proposed to trim down the oyster navy to fit the oyster revenues. But the wisdom of such a course would have its points with practical business men.

Instead of going after the rats with traps and poison, it might be cheaper to turn loose a lot of educated rats and let them eat the rats that are inside the city. Then the educated ones could tell the others and they would all go.

Mr. E. R. Thomas of New York says that he cannot live comfortably in that city for less than \$50,000 a year. And yet there are some people who labor under the delusion that they are very comfortable living upon one-tenth of that amount.

One student has been in Columbia university 27 years. With such an example of constancy before them the undergraduates of the largest university in America ought to be able, after awhile, to make something better than a joke in athletics.

A Virginia man is suing for divorce from his wife upon the grounds that she is not a good cook. There is nothing very romantic about the theory, but it does appear that the woman who said "feed the brute" had a pretty good recipe for a happy home.

The unfortunate Pittsburgh millionaires are again in trouble. A mobster in the Smoky City has started a crusade against the style of wealthiness adopted by the "millionaires." He has taken upon himself to make a list of the names of the millionaires and to send them a notice to appear before him and to be very little fun in being a Pittsburgh millionaire those days.

The pupils of a western military academy have expelled a number of their class because he was a mummy. And he had the faculty of the institution has decided to allow the scholars to indulge in this form of self-government. Apparently, the expelled pupil was not the only mummy in that establishment.

An Indian woman has discovered a new means for her drunkenness. When her husband returned home in an intoxicated condition she seized him up in a blanket and horsewhipped him. While the average man may be very shrewd in his desire to reform, he cannot be expected to advocate the employment of such a painful method.

A New York boy who had the "What" habit was sent home by his employer with a note to his father, asking that he be cured. "Then send him back for we like him," the note concluded. The boy received more moderate treatment than others with the pernicious habit are likely to get when they go out to work.

The common council of Newark, New Jersey, has attacked the billboard nuisance at a vulnerable point, by forbidding the display of representations of crime and pictures that would induce immorality. There are commercial posters which could rally defenders on the ground that they are works of art; but theatrical advertisements of the kind that the Newark authorities condemn, seldom rises above the sordid and moral standards of a color-blind maniac.

Not long ago objection was made to allowing a young woman to be a member of the "varsity" debating team of a coeducational college. It was suggested that the judges must unwittingly be partial to a fair disputant. Since personality is a perfectly fair asset in debate, judged by theoretic and practical standards, the objection did not have much weight. The lady had the better of the argument on this question, and thereby doubly proved her fitness for the formal trial of reason and persuasion.

The new Japanese regulations controlling the emigration of laborers to Hawaii remind one of Sir Joseph Porter of "Pittwater," and his sisters and his cousins. There are now between 70,000 and 80,000 Japanese in Hawaii, and it is estimated under this new ruling 500,000 more might emigrate there. A Philadelphia man has cured himself of a bad case of nerves by sawing wood and can now sleep as long and as peacefully as any of his fellow citizens.

One scientist asserts that the gripe came from Mrs. Mars must want to know whether the earth belongs to the freemasonry of the stars.

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KAISER REFUSES TO RECEIVE HIM AS AMBASSADOR.

REASON NOT YET KNOWN

Personal Objection of Emperor Connected with His Brother's Visit to America—Explanation on the Way.

Washington.—The German government has declined to receive Dr. David Jayne Hill in the capacity of American ambassador to succeed Charlemagne Tower. Dr. Hill is at present American minister to the Hague and was formerly assistant secretary of state under the administration of Secretary Hay.

The objection to Dr. Hill is one purely personal to Emperor William, who has simply caused it to be made known that the American diplomatist is persona non grata to him. The reason for the emperor's objection is connected with the visit to America several years ago of his brother, Prince Henry, the ranking admiral of the German navy. Dr. Hill at that time was first assistant secretary of state and accompanied by his brother, Prince Henry, the ranking admiral of the German navy. Dr. Hill at that time was first assistant secretary of state and accompanied by his brother, Prince Henry, the ranking admiral of the German navy.

Once Consented to Him.

A perplexing feature of the case is presented by the fact that last November the German government had let it be known that Dr. Hill would be considered when they are done.

In the oyster discussion no one has proposed to trim down the oyster navy to fit the oyster revenues. But the wisdom of such a course would have its points with practical business men.

Instead of going after the rats with traps and poison, it might be cheaper to turn loose a lot of educated rats and let them eat the rats that are inside the city. Then the educated ones could tell the others and they would all go.

Mr. E. R. Thomas of New York says that he cannot live comfortably in that city for less than \$50,000 a year. And yet there are some people who labor under the delusion that they are very comfortable living upon one-tenth of that amount.

One student has been in Columbia university 27 years. With such an example of constancy before them the undergraduates of the largest university in America ought to be able, after awhile, to make something better than a joke in athletics.

A Virginia man is suing for divorce from his wife upon the grounds that she is not a good cook. There is nothing very romantic about the theory, but it does appear that the woman who said "feed the brute" had a pretty good recipe for a happy home.

The unfortunate Pittsburgh millionaires are again in trouble. A mobster in the Smoky City has started a crusade against the style of wealthiness adopted by the "millionaires." He has taken upon himself to make a list of the names of the millionaires and to send them a notice to appear before him and to be very little fun in being a Pittsburgh millionaire those days.

The pupils of a western military academy have expelled a number of their class because he was a mummy. And he had the faculty of the institution has decided to allow the scholars to indulge in this form of self-government. Apparently, the expelled pupil was not the only mummy in that establishment.

An Indian woman has discovered a new means for her drunkenness. When her husband returned home in an intoxicated condition she seized him up in a blanket and horsewhipped him. While the average man may be very shrewd in his desire to reform, he cannot be expected to advocate the employment of such a painful method.

A New York boy who had the "What" habit was sent home by his employer with a note to his father, asking that he be cured. "Then send him back for we like him," the note concluded. The boy received more moderate treatment than others with the pernicious habit are likely to get when they go out to work.

The common council of Newark, New Jersey, has attacked the billboard nuisance at a vulnerable point, by forbidding the display of representations of crime and pictures that would induce immorality. There are commercial posters which could rally defenders on the ground that they are works of art; but theatrical advertisements of the kind that the Newark authorities condemn, seldom rises above the sordid and moral standards of a color-blind maniac.

Not long ago objection was made to allowing a young woman to be a member of the "varsity" debating team of a coeducational college. It was suggested that the judges must unwittingly be partial to a fair disputant. Since personality is a perfectly fair asset in debate, judged by theoretic and practical standards, the objection did not have much weight. The lady had the better of the argument on this question, and thereby doubly proved her fitness for the formal trial of reason and persuasion.

The new Japanese regulations controlling the emigration of laborers to Hawaii remind one of Sir Joseph Porter of "Pittwater," and his sisters and his cousins. There are now between 70,000 and 80,000 Japanese in Hawaii, and it is estimated under this new ruling 500,000 more might emigrate there.

TWO STATES ARE BEATEN

DECISIONS IN CONFLICT WITH FEDERAL TRIBUNALS.

Minnesota and North Carolina Both Defeated in Litigation That Concerned Railroad Rates.

Washington.—In refusing to grant to Attorney General Young of Minnesota a writ of habeas corpus releasing him from the penalty imposed by the United States circuit court for the district of Minnesota on the charge of contempt of court in instituting a proceeding in a state court for the enforcement of the railroad rate law after the federal court had prohibited such a course, and in affirming the decision of Judge Eichelberg of the United States circuit court for the western district of North Carolina, discharging from imprisonment James H. Wood, a ticket agent of the Southern railway at Asheville, after he had been sentenced by the Asheville police court to serve a term on the rock pile on the charge of collecting for a ticket on the road a greater price than was permitted by the state railroad law, the supreme court of the United States Monday added another to the series of decisions which have rendered notable the present term of that court.

In both cases the right of the states to fix rates for railroad transportation was the issue and both involved conflicts between the federal and the state courts.

The decision in each case was opposed both to the states and to their courts. The opinion of the court in both cases was announced by Justice Peckham and with the exception of Justice Harlan and the other members of the court stood behind him in the announcement of the court's finding. Justice Harlan read a dissenting opinion in the Young case in which he took the view that the suit was practically a proceeding against the state and therefore not permissible under the eleventh amendment to the constitution.

The two cases were so similar that both practically were decided in one opinion. The principal pronouncement made in the Minnesota case.

Korean's Bullet Is Fatal.

Durham W. Stevens Dies as Result of His Wound.

San Francisco.—Durham W. Stevens, who was shot Monday by a Korean, died at midnight Wednesday. One of the bullets passed through the

Stevens, although until Wednesday the doctors were not sure of the fact. An operation was performed but it was in vain.

Mr. Stevens was shot by a Korean who blamed him for the protectorate of Japan over Korea. He was the adviser of the Seoul government.

HUNDREDS DROWN AT SEA.

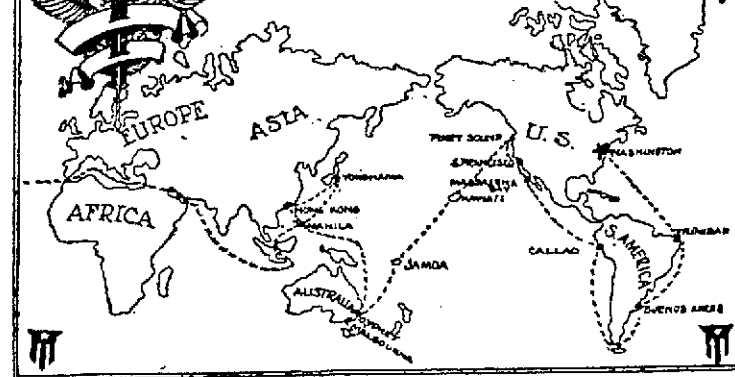
Japanese Steamers Collide and One Goes to Bottom.

Tokyo.—The Matsui Maru, an 800-ton steamer belonging to the Yusen Kaisha line, was sunk in a collision with the Hideoyoshi Maru, 695 tons, Monday morning, two miles off Todehako, near Hakodate.

The captain of the Matsui Maru, a majority of her 224 passengers and 43 of the crew perished.

The Hideoyoshi Maru and another steamer rescued the survivors.

FLEET TO CARRY FLAG AROUND THE GLOBE.



The itinerary of amended round-the-world tour, which seems to be the most direct includes stops at the Hawaiian Islands, Samoa, Melbourne, Sydney, Manila, Yokohama, a Chinese port, back to the Philippines, and then home by way of the Suez canal.

BANKER ROBBED OF \$5,000

BOLD CRIME COMMITTED ON STREET AT LINCOLN, ILL.

Pay Roll of Mine Is Taken—Bandits Are Pursued and Two Are Captured.

Peoria, Ill.—Frank Proctor, president of a Lincoln (Ill.) bank and owner of the Lincoln Mining company, was held up by highwaymen Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock in Lincoln and robbed of \$5,000—the monthly pay roll of the company.

Three men did the work and two of them were caught, but the third escaped with the money after a running fight with the police and deputy sheriffs.

The robbery occurred within two blocks of the public square. Proctor was on the way to the mine in a wagon carrying two suitcases containing the money in small amounts of ready counted for the miners. He was stopped on the street by three men in a buggy and two of these got out of the buggy and jumping into Proctor's rig, quickly bore him to the ground and grabbed the suitcases.

He threw his hands up, jumped in and started out of the city at a fast clip. Proctor, who was not seriously injured, returned to the office and notified the officials.

The sheriff and night captain of police started at once and pursued the robbers two miles, at which point two men left the buggy and took to the cornfields. After a short time they were discovered and a duel between the two robbers followed. The two surrendered, but neither was injured.

The men refuse to give their names and so far have not been identified. The third man, who escaped, was of dark complexion, about five feet ten inches tall and wore brown clothes.

APPEAL TO THE PRESIDENT.

Kentuckians Ask Federal Aid to Suppress Night Riders.

Lexington, Ky.—The failure on the part of the state authorities to run down perpetrators of outrages committed by "night riders" culminated in a direct appeal to the president of the United States for federal interference in Kentucky, in the form of a petition prepared by leading men of Lexington and central Kentucky.

The petitioners are aware that the president can take no action unless the governor so requests, but it is their purpose by this means to bring the two executives together in the matter for mutual discussion and consideration that may result in some sort of action.

The report of a settlement having been reached between the American Society of Equity and the American Tobacco company was leaked at the office of G. A. Brooks, secretary of the Equity society, in Winchester.

Forbidden Betting at Benning.

Washington.—Betting on horse races at Benning, so far as the house of representatives is concerned, shall not continue. Late Monday that body, by a vote of 70 to 4, of the District of Columbia as to extend them to the territory in which the Benning track is located. The supreme court of the district recently held that these laws did not apply to the Benning track because it was more than one mile from the boundaries of the city of Washington.

King May Lose His Arm.

Madrid, El Mundo says that it learns on good authority that the wound Prince Manuel—now king of Portugal—received in the arm on February 1, when King Carlos and the crown prince were assassinated, has not healed, and has recently become very much worse.

The attending physicians, says the paper, declare that amputation is imperative.

Bank Directors Are Threatened.

Ottumwa, Ia.—Dr. A. O. Cover and Frank Liewellyn, directors of the Farmers and Drivers' Bank of Seymour, closed by a state examiner recently when Cashier Leroy Ware was found short \$400,000 in his accounts.

Rev. Cephas Baird Is Dead.

St. Monica, Cal.—Rev. Cephas Baird, for 50 years a minister of the English Lutheran church, died Monday from injuries sustained last January when a newspaper covering his face caught fire while he was sleeping.

Indiana Man Leaps to Death.

New Orleans.—March Babbington, who registered from Franklin, Ind., committed suicide here Monday by jumping from a window in the Hotel Grunwald.

LELAND IN FLAMES

FAMOUS HOSTELRY IN SPRINGFIELD, ILL., PARTLY BURNED.

LOSS IS ABOUT \$75,000

Delegates to the Republican State Convention Make Frantic Efforts to Save Their Belongings.

Springfield, Ill.—The Leland hotel, one of the most widely known hotels in the country, and which has been the center of political gatherings for the last 30 years, was severely damaged by fire Thursday, causing a loss on the proprietors, the Wiggins estate, of about \$75,000.

The fire broke out while the Republican state convention was in session, three squares away, and when the delegates received word that the hotel was burning they leaped from their chairs, rose wildly for the doors and hastened to save their effects. No lives were lost, nor was any person injured.

The fire for a time threatened the building of the Springfield Journal, which is separated from the hotel by a narrow alley.

As soon as it was evident that the hotel was doomed the managers of the room of the guests in the effort to save as much as possible of their baggage. Some of it was lost, but, considering that the hotel was filled to its capacity and that the capacity was somewhat stretched by the number of delegates to the convention, it was surprising that so much property was saved.

Some guests lost everything. But the greater part of the baggage was saved.

The delegates from the convention, when they came rushing up to the hotel, bent upon saving their belongings, were too much for the Springfield police department. They outnumbered it and were trying to restrain one man from rushing into the hotel to save his property a dozen others would go tearing by and rush into the smoke-filled halls. Men repeatedly risked their lives to save their hand baggage and overcoats.

ROBBER'S HEAD BLOWN OFF.

Safe-Cracker Killed by Own Blast in Arkansas.

Gentry, Ark.—In a futile attempt to blow open the safe of the Farmers' bank at Springfield, near here, early Thursday, the head of one of the robbers was blown from his shoulders by a premature explosion of dynamite. The body of the man was found in the bank near the safe.

Danville, Ill.—Two desperate men believed to be the same who attempted to loot the bank of Christmas Wednesday, on Thursday morning held up and robbed the office of the Danville Water company at the point of revolvers, forcing Cashier Myers and a woman to stand while they looted the safe. They obtained ten dollars and overlooked a large amount in another compartment of the safe.

TRAVELING MEN KILL SELVES.

One Jumps Under Train, Another Uses Revolver.

Gallipolis, O.—James O'Neal, a traveling man of Philadelphia, Pa., became deranged at Midway, near here, Thursday. Jumped under a Hocking Valley train and was instantly killed. The body was brought here. O'Neal had been drinking, and is believed to have squandered considerable money.

Pittsburg, Pa.—J. W. Smith of Cleveland, O., a traveling man, shot and killed himself at a hotel here Thursday. The cause of the act is unknown.

GEN. HORNE IS ACQUITTED.

Slayer of Kansas City Editor Committed to Asylum.

Kansas City, Mo.—Gen. R. C. Horne was acquitted of the charge of murdering H. J. Groves, managing editor of the Kansas City Post, by a jury in the criminal court here Thursday night. The verdict stated that Gen. Horne was insane when he shot Groves and has not fully recovered, and commits him to an asylum.

Earthquakes in Mexico City.

Mexico City.—Mexico City was visited by two severe earthquake shocks Thursday. The first shock occurred at 4:30 o'clock p. m., lasting four minutes and 20 seconds. No lives were lost, but numerous walls were cracked. A second and much more severe earthquake shock occurred at 9:17 p. m. at night. Walls were cracked and clocks all over the city were stopped. The streets were crowded with people. The people are considerably alarmed over the repeated shocks.

Fine and Jail for Perjuror.

Milwaukee.—August Wetzel, president of the Wetzel Brothers Printing company, appeared before Judge afternoon in Judge Wetzel's court. He was indicted for perjury, guilty to an indictment for perjury, and substituted a plea of guilty. Wetzel was indicted in connection with the T. E. Cameron frauds. It was charged that he gave false testimony and the jury straightaway indicted Judge Quarles fined \$100.00 and sentenced him to one day's imprisonment in the Milwaukee county jail.

Virginia Judge Removed.

Richmond, Va.—The general assembly of Virginia Thursday adopted a resolution removing Judge J. W. G. Blackstone of the Eleventh circuit from office. The grounds upon which this action were based were immorality and gross neglect of official duty.

Kentucky Village Burned.

Louisville, Ky.—Fire practically destroyed the central portion of the village of Greenville, ten miles north of Albany, Thursday. Greenville contains about 350 inhabitants.

Suicide from Brooklyn Bridge.

New York.—A young man believed to be Edwin J. Dittmars, the 18-year-old son of a Brooklyn physician, jumped from the Brooklyn bridge Thursday and died a few minutes after he had been taken from the water.

New Hotel for Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Minn.—J. E. Rogers, proprietor of the Rogers hotel of this city, Thursday announced his plans for the erection of a 15-story hotel at Fourth street and Ninth avenue, at a cost exceeding \$1,000,000.

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